

CDs versus MP3 versus MIDI

These CyberBass learning files are offered in three different formats. Each will serve the needs of different users. Below is a brief description of each.

1. **Compact Discs (CDs)** – I have seen the rise and fall of CDs in my life time. CD use is at the end of its life cycle and has been replaced by MP3 downloads from iTunes or the like. However if you still desire a physical product this is the format for you. CDs will be shipped and require 4-7 days delivery for US orders and 7-21 days delivery for international orders. CDs can be ripped to iTunes for use on iPods, iPhones, tablets, etc. Your orders will be placed through PayPal and shipped by CyberBass Project.

2. **MP3 Audio Files** -- These are audio files that hastened the demise of compact discs. These files can be downloaded immediately and transferred to iTunes for use on iPods, iPhones, tablets, etc. Currently they are only available through CD Baby, but I hope to make them available in iTunes, Amazon, and other music download sites.

3. **MIDI Electron Files** – These strictly electronic files are the format upon which CyberBass was built. Support on the internet for this format is waning. For example, the latest versions of iTunes will not play MIDI. Similarly the latest internet HTML5 protocols do not support MIDI. Typically MIDI files require special software to playback or conversion to MP3. However, if you have the software and know how, you may use the files to tailor the sound to your liking. You should not buy these files unless you are familiar with their use.

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	CDs	MP3s	MIDIs
Delivery Time	4-7 Days for US orders, 7-21 Days for International orders.	Immediate download.	Immediate download.
Cost	\$25 for CD, includes shipping and handling	\$11.99 to \$19.99 for work for each part depending on number of movements in work. In some cases single tracks available for 99 cents.	\$20 for work for each choral part. Choral Pac available for \$80.
Selling Agent	Paypal	CDBaby.com, soon to be available on iTunes, Amazon, etc.	PayLoadZ.com
Playback on Itunes	CDs can be ripped to iTunes.	Files can be copied onto iTunes.	Can only be transferred to iTunes if MIDI files are converted to MP3 files. This requires special software.
Files can be Modified	No	No	Yes
Files Can be Republished Online	No	No	No